

IN THE CLAIMS:

1. (Currently Amended) An explosive ammunition having a fragmenting structure comprising:

an inner shell having an inside and outside surface, surfaces both without a surface pattern for generating splinters, said inner shell being for splinter generation;

an explosive charge substantially surrounded by the inner shell;

an outer plastic case enclosing the inner shell; and

netting located between the outside surface of said inner shell and the outer case, for generating a mechanical stress differential at the outside surface of the inner shell during initiation of the explosive charge.

2. (Withdrawn) Explosive ammunition as claimed in claim 1, characterized in that the means creating a stress differential include an inside surface of the case fitted with an array of salients of which each related mesh is hollow and is bounded by a salient rib making contact with the shell, such a

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configuration assuring weakening this shell during said initiation along the ribs to generate splinters.

3. (Previously Presented) The explosive ammunition according to claim 1, wherein said netting constitutes a weakening array.

4. (Cancelled)

5. (Previously Presented) The explosive ammunition according to claim 3, wherein the netting is imbedded in the case.

6. (Previously Presented) The explosive ammunition according to claim 3, wherein the array is fitted with square elementary meshes.

7. (Previously Presented) The explosive ammunition according to claim 1, wherein the shell is made of steel or tungsten.

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8. (Previously Presented) The explosive ammunition according to claim 1, wherein the case constitutes a nose cone.